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1. RICHMOND BRIEFED DR. HERSEY JAN 31.

2. DURING RECENT CURIEN VISIT, RICHMOND RAISED QUESTION
OF HERSEY'S DESIRE TO WORK OUT INFO EXCHANGE AND
PARTICULARLY IF DIRECT ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN SSIE AND FRENCH
AGENCIES ALONG LINES OF SSIE/AGRICULTURE EXCHANGES WERE
FEASIBLE. CURIEN AND PEISSIK DID NOT GIVE DIRECT ANSWER,
BUT PROMISED TO LOOK INTO QUESTION ON RETURN TO PARIS AND
BE IN CONTRAC THROUGH EMB. WE PROMISED TO FURNISH INFO
ON DR. HERSEY'S SPECIFIC EXCHANGE AREA INTERESTS IF
DESIRED. PEISSIK SAID THAT PROBLEM WAS DGRST RESOURCES
AND THAT EXISTING AGRICULTURAL/SSIE PROGRAM WAS A "RATHER
UNIQUE ARRANGEMENT". HE ALSO EXPRESSED SOME SENSITIVITY
ON INFO EXCHANGES IN ENERGY AREA. (FYI: THIS ALSO

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APPEARED DURING PROGRAM REVIEW WHERE FRENCH IMMEDIATELY

"CLARIFIED" INTEREST IN ENERGY RESEARCH WITHIN US/FRENCH
S&T COOPERATIVE PROGRAM TO MEAN ENERGY CONSERVATION.)
CURRIEN'S VIEWS SEEMED SOMEWHAT LESS FIXED THAN PEISSIK'S.

3. HERSEY PLEASED BY DGRST RESPONSE CONTAINED REFTEL.
IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT DGRST HAS DECIDED THAT PLAYING SOME
CENTRAL OR COORDINATING CONTACT ROLE IS PREFERABLE TO
SERIES OF ARRANGEMENTS WORKED OUT ENTIRELY WITHOUT
THEIR PARTICIPATION. KISSINGER

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